

A Practical View.
 "As a new woman," he said, "I suppose you will object to the wedding ring as a symbol of man's tyranny?"
 "Of course I shall," she replied. "Under no circumstances would I consent to wear such a thing. It is not essential to a marriage, and it stands for all that is objectionable in the marriage relation."
 "And on the same theory," he continued, "I suppose you will refuse to wear an engagement ring also?"
 "Well, no," she answered slowly and thoughtfully. "That's a very different matter."
 "But theoretically it—"
 "There is no use arguing," she interrupted. "I don't care what it is theoretically. Practically it is very often a diamond, while the wedding ring is only plain gold, and that makes all the difference in the world."

Young Eagles.
 An eagle lives from eighty to 100 years. The young birds are driven forth by their savage parents to provide for themselves as soon as they are able to fly. No training is given them by the old bird. That is left to their wild instincts, which hunger and necessity develop. There is no "going back to the old home" for the young eagles. The mother bird tears up every vestige of the nest, and if they emit plaintive shrieks the old birds dart at them and push them off the crags or rocks and thereby make them take to their wings. It takes three years for a young eagle to gain its complete plumage and strength—Independent.

Never Tease a Horse.
 Teasing a horse is something that should not be tolerated. A horse cannot understand a joke like a man, and the teasing will make him vicious. Teasing a colt or a calf affords children and thoughtless men amusement for the time being, but these usually develop into vicious animals. I once had a calf when I was a young man, and I let him bunt me around the lot, and I thought it was fun. Later he was "ruler of the roost," and he "found an early grave"—that is, he became so grave that he had to pay the penalty by going over the block—St. Louis Republic.

Throwing Away a Fortune.
 A poor Austrian official in the civil service bought two tickets in the Hungarian philanthropic state lottery. A little while afterward his funds ran very low, and he sent back one of the tickets to the lottery office and asked that the money he had paid for it might be returned. This very ticket won the first prize at the drawing, amounting to 150,000 kronen, a sum which would have made the official rich beyond his utmost dreams if he had not at the last moment let his own good fortune slip out of his hand.

Sorrow in Childhood.
 A lady was once talking to Queen Elizabeth of Roumania and advanced the theory that sorrow in childhood cast a shadow over the whole life, rendering happiness in later years impossible.
 "Do not believe it," replied the queen. "Happiness is like an ocean. It bears you away from the past and all its many sorrows, providing only that you do not persist in looking backward."
Treasures of the Kremlin.
 All the czars of Russia have been crowned in the Kremlin, in Moscow, and in the treasury there are the thrones of all the emperors of the past and the historic jewels and the choicest plate now owned by the Russian crown. There is \$120,000,000 worth of gold and silver and precious stones in that treasury, and there are basins of gold there which are as big as a baby's bathtub and two carloads of solid silver which are worth a king's ransom.

In Migration an Instinct.
 Cats and dogs travel almost incredible distances to their homes over a route never traversed but once, and that once often with eyes blinded. If nature has planted in them an instinct so nearly resembling the governing cause of migration among birds, why may we not look to instinct as the cause of the annual flight? They fly direct from one perch to another with out hesitation or delay, and often the young birds precede the old ones. Their habit has been the cause of many beautiful poems, and poet and moralist alike have found an inspiration in their yearly journeys, and, in fact, even to the most prosaic imagination there is something in their mysterious goings and comings which speaks to the soul.
 We are unmistakably taught by them that there is a power higher and stronger than any we have known as a part of this earth, a power which is not latent and unused, or, when discovered, used and controlled by man, as the power of electricity and steam, but a power in active operation controlling and compelling obedience.

No Offense Intended.
 At the exhibition of the International Live Stock association in Chicago a portly old gentleman remarked to one of the men in charge of the cattle department, "You don't call this the 'fat stock show' any more, it seems."
 "No," replied the other. "It's quality that counts with us now and not quantity. You can put fat on any kind of an animal, and after it's all done he's nothing but a big, fat 1-1-1 hog, pardon, sir! 1-1-1 hadn't noticed—I didn't mean!"
 The portly old gentleman had begun to turn red, and the attempted apology only made the matter worse. After an ineffectual effort to express himself he waddled on in speechless indignation.

Any man who disregards the regulations for the prevention of lead poisoning in the mines of New South Wales is liable to a fine not exceeding \$100.

A Worm Killer.
 J. A. J. Montgomery, Puxico, Wayne Co., Mo., writes: "I have little twin girls who have been bothered with worms all their lives. I tried everything to relieve them which failed until I used White's Cream Vermifuge; the first two doses brought four worms from one of them, the next two doses twelve, one of them measuring twelve inches; the other child was relieved of four worms. It is a most excellent medicine." White's Cream Vermifuge is good for children. It not only destroys worms, it helps the child to perfect growth, wards off sickness. 25c at J. M. Jones.

An Old Favorite

NEW ENGLAND'S DEAD

By Isaac McCallan



ON AUG. 29, 1859, Isaac McCallan, poet, died in Greenport, L. I., at the age of ninety-three. Mr. McCallan's early poems had been very popular with his generation, but younger readers know little or nothing of them. He was educated in the law, but gave up the profession for the life of a farmer, contributing to the magazines. He was a lover of nature and of sports and was sometimes called "the sportsman's poet." His poems, "New England's Dead" and "The Death of Napoleon," were once familiar to all readers.

NEW ENGLAND'S DEAD! New England's dead!
 On every hill they lie;
 On every fold of strife, made red
 By bloody victory.
 Each valley, where the battle poured
 Its red and awful tide,
 Behold the brave New England sword
 With slaughter deeply dyed.
 Their bones are on the northern hill,
 And on the southern plain,
 By brook and river, lake and rill,
 And by the roaring main.

The land is holy where they fought,
 And holy where they fell;
 For by their blood that land was bought,
 The land they loved so well.
 Then glory to that valiant band,
 The honored saviors of the land!

O, weak and few their numbers were—
 A handful of brave men;
 But to their God they gave their prayer,
 And rushed to battle then.
 The God of battles heard their cry,
 And sent to them the victory.



They left the ploughshare in the mould,
 Their flocks and herds without a fold,
 The sickle in the unharvested grain,
 The corn, half-rotten, on the plain,
 And mistletoe in their steeple dress,
 For wrong to seek a stern dress,
 To right these wrongs came woe, come woe,
 To perish, or overcome their foe.

And where are ye, O fearless men?
 And where are ye, ye brave?
 I call, the hills reply again,
 That ye have passed away.
 That on old Bunker's hill, in light,
 In Trenton, and in the north ground,
 The cross grows green, the harvest bright,
 About each soldier's mound.
 The land's well and the people's feast
 Shall move them no more.
 An army now might conquer past,
 And they lie dead at last.
 The story that tells of their fight
 Is written in the sky;
 From the field a voice shall raise them not,
 For they lie in a peaceful night.

J. P. Taliaferro and Sons of Thousands Have Kidney Trouble and Don't Know It.

His Work for the State.
 (Continued from page 1)
 Florida's little business, which is marketing only a few hundred head of cattle in Cuba annually, is worth \$1,000,000 a year, and it is a business that is advancing in power.
 In the present session of the legislature has obtained an additional appropriation for the enlargement and improvement of the public building at Jacksonville, and in view for the next session of the legislature doing his part toward the improvement of the harbor for the purpose of making it a port for both sea and land commerce.
 In the interior of Florida, and the coast on the seaboard, and both regions and thriving cities. If and the legislature have won their reputation as "getters." In the first session of the Fifty-seventh Congress they got, in total, over \$1,000,000. This was more a proportion to the population than any State in the Union, and it is a record for every man, woman and child in Florida. His colleagues in the Senate are surprised that there should be any opposition to his bill.
 If records could be made of the work Florida should keep a record of his work until he gets gray in the hair.

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Jim Dumps' young wife while yet a bride
 Some biscuits made with greatest pride,
 Jim looked with fear upon the food,
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